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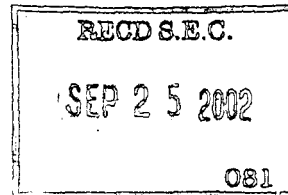
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Mr. Brian Johnson  
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to certify that on August 9, 2002, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange") received from Nuveen Maryland Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund 3 (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8A 12 B for the registration of the following securities:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

We further certify that the above described security has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

Bryan Fischer

Director

Listing Qualifications Department

cc: Herbert Scholl